

The Free Lance

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Richmond, Fredericksburg & Railroad.

Schedule in effect Jan. 10th, 1899.

TRAINS LEAVE FREDERICKSBURG.

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Local and Current Comments.

Miss Mary Green is visiting friends in Baltimore.

Mrs. M. E. Scholer is out again, after a protracted illness.

Mr. John M. Conway, of Alexandria, spent Sunday in the city.

Miss Jennie Harkamp has returned from a visit to her sister, Mrs. Ford, in Cincinnati.

Misses Sadie Gourley and Floy Bragdon have returned from a visit down the Rappahannock.

Mr. John Ambler is sick with a severe attack of bronchitis at the home of Mrs. M. E. Scholer.

Opened today our new spring stock of clothing. Boys' suits a specialty. Come and see them. T. N. Brent.

Rev. W. D. Smith left yesterday afternoon by steamer for Port Royal to attend the Rappahannock Valley Convention.

At the Baltimore Conference, now in session at Washington, Rev. J. O. Tackett has been placed on the superannuated list.

Mrs. M. F. Tankard and son, Roland and sister, Miss Nellie Ford, who spent the winter in Northampton county, have returned home.

Fresh grass, flower and grass seed, large stock, low prices, also everything usually found in the best drug stores, at lowest prices at Hall's.

Rev. Mr. Moom, a missionary to Brazil, preached a most interesting and instructive discourse on missions at St. George's Church Sunday morning.

About one hundred and twenty-five pieces of White India Linen from 25c to 50c per yard. A special bargain lot. See them at C. W. Jones' Cash Store.

At the Second Baptist Church, Fourth street and Virginia avenue southeast, Washington, D. C., Rev. E. H. Swann, pastor, Rev. Thomas S. Dunaway, D. D., preached the morning sermon last Sunday.

The Washington, D. C., Star, of Saturday says: "The Southern Cotton gin gave their last german of the season, Tuesday evening. Among those present was Miss McCracken, of Fredericksburg, Va."

Rev. Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Dill will be in Richmond all this week, superintending the packing and shipping of their household goods. They will return by Saturday, and Dr. Dill will fill his pulpit next Sunday.

Judge J. E. Mason left by steamer yesterday afternoon for Tappahannock where he will hold a special term of Court for Judge T. R. B. Wright. From there Judge Mason will go to Montross where he will on the 15th hold the regular spring term of his own court.

Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Morton, of Tappahannock, celebrated the 4th anniversary of their marriage at "Nottingham," the home of his father in Spotsylvania today, after which they left to attend the Rappahannock Valley Convention at Port Royal.

Cards are out for the marriage of Miss Minnie Mary Dow, daughter of Mrs. Minnie W. Dow, of this county, to Mr. J. B. Washington, of Caroline, the ceremony to take place Thursday afternoon, April 13th, at 3 o'clock at the home of the bride's mother, at Lewistown.

Capt. Joseph S. Browne, of Catonsville, Md., is in the city with his family. He will spend the summer here. Mr. Browne has rented the handsome residence of Mr. V. M. Fleming, on Hanover St., and will occupy it about June 1st. Mr. Fleming's family will spend the greater portion of the summer north.

Walker Fearn, died at Hot Springs, Va., last week and was interred in Hollywood Cemetery, in Richmond. Mr. Fearn was a native of Hanoverville, Va., but was of Virginia ancestry. Mr. Fearn, of this city, now of New York, married a daughter of Mr. Fearn, as his second wife.

Mr. J. L. Hill, president of the Tidewater District Board of the Christian Church and Mr. George Johnson, of Richmond, were in this city Saturday, taking important steps toward the erection here of a suitable house of worship. It is expected that in a few weeks work on the building will be commenced.

The Hillers-Thornton Cases.

C. W. Hillers and wife came to Virginia about a year and a half ago and agreed to purchase the elegant "Belle Grove" estate, in King George county, from J. Taylor Thornton. They paid \$500 cash and were put in possession. None of their promises touching the deferred payments were met, and Thornton finally gave them notice to quit. They signed a contract agreeing to leave by January 1, 1899, if money was not paid. But they remained on the property, and on February 4, Mr. Thornton and his brother and nephew went to "Belle Grove," and informed Mrs. Hillers that she must vacate. She refused to go unless put out. Mr. Thornton remarked that it would be very easy to put her out, but made no attempt to do so. Just as he said this Mrs. Hillers sprang at him and slapped him in the face. He then caught her by the wrists and held them, while she kicked his shins. At the same time young Hillers jumped on Grayson Thornton, and they had a lively fight. Finally quiet was restored and the Hillers agreed to leave and vacate next morning, and possession was finally delivered and every thing seemed settled. They did not go next day, but the day after, Hillers and son were out some 4 or 5 warrants vs. the Thorntons for assault, willful trespass, &c., and the Justices who tried the cases put heavy fines upon the Thorntons, who appealed to the County Court.

The cases were tried before Judge Chichester, and he promptly set aside the Justices' decision and dismissed all the warrants.

Messrs. S. George R. Fitzhugh and W. A. Little represented the Thorntons. Messrs. Thos. H. Bevan, Chas. Ashton and R. J. Washington the Hillers.

Our National Cemetery and Our Dead in Cuba!

Major R. B. Hill, Superintendent of the National Cemetery, has received from the War Department, at Washington, enquiries as to the number of graves he could provide in the National Cemetery here for soldiers who fell in battle, or died from other causes in Cuba.

The cemetery is so nearly full, over fifteen thousand soldiers having been interred there, that Supt. Hill replied that only seven or eight could be provided for, unless a certain triangular space, which, at present, is used for an ornamental spot, is utilized, in which case about one hundred and fifty more graves could be made.

Our Boys Successful Again.

Our base ball club went to Washington Saturday and played the Gallaudet team. They were successful after a hard contest, the score being as follows: Fredericksburg, 2; Gallaudet 1. Our boys are to be congratulated on the splendid record they have made. Though they have contested with good teams they have not met with a single defeat this season.

NO SPREAD OF SMALLPOX.

Mr. Taylor the Only Case. Convalescing—Statement From the Physicians of the City.

In consequence of the many foolish rumors in the surrounding country concerning the prevalence of smallpox in Fredericksburg, The Free Lance has interviewed and obtained a statement from every physician in the city showing that there has been but one case and no probability of another resulting from that one. That the public may see the true condition of the case, we publish the following certificates:

As attending physician of Mr. Robt. C. Taylor, who has been sick for three weeks with smallpox, I would say that the patient is getting on favorably and nearly convalescent. There is now no probability of the disease going beyond the house in which Mr. Taylor is confined, as it is strictly quarantined, and all necessary precautions have been taken to prevent its spread. None of the other members of the family or the servants have shown any symptoms of smallpox, and there is no other case in the city.

S. W. Carmichael, M. D.

We concur in Dr. Carmichael's statement that there is no probability of the spread of the disease, and that the case of Mr. Taylor is the only one in the city.

B. Hales, M. D.

J. Edward Tompkins, M. D.

A. C. Duggett, M. D.

Elliot T. Jett, M. D.

H. M. D. Martin, M. D.

J. N. Barney, Jr., M. D.

Baltimore Conference.

FRIDAY'S SESSION.

The Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, in session in Washington, devoted nearly the entire session Friday to the subject of the great million and a half thanksgiving fund, which it is proposed to raise by the church to mark the end of this century, and which is to be devoted to the cause of education. Before the session adjourned it was voted unanimously to raise the \$2,500,000 which has been assigned to Baltimore Conference as its quota, and an executive committee, consisting of Revs. I. W. Canter and J. W. Duffey and Mr. George R. Hill, was appointed to take general supervision of the work, while Dr. W. W. Smith, the chancellor of the Randolph-Macon system of educational institutions, was appointed general superintendent.

The reception of verbal reports from the ministers was resumed and concluded.

A brief allusion to extemporaneous politics was made by Dr. Hammond. He was speaking of the spread of the gospel, and the expansion of the interests of the church. "I am an expansionist from the crown of my head to the bottom of my shoes," he said.

In the afternoon the delegates, with their friends, were received by President McKinley at the White House. They were presented by Rev. J. W. Duffey, of Mount Vernon Church, Mr. McKinley addressing a few words to each minister as he was presented.

SATURDAY'S SESSION.

Saturday's session was enlivened by a discussion of the methods used by the representatives of the church in obtaining the passage of the bill through Congress appropriating \$250,000 to pay the claim of the Methodist Episcopal Church South Publishing House. The following resolution was adopted by a vote of 119 to 48:

"Resolved, That the committee on publishing interests be, and they are hereby, instructed to consider what action, if any, is necessary to be taken by the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South touching the methods used by our representatives in their effort to secure the passage of the bill by Congress granting the claim of \$250,000 for the use and damage of our publishing house by the army of the United States during the civil war."

The ordination of deacons was very impressive, the Bishop delivering a strong charge to the five candidates—Frank Tyler, George Bogle, Harry Coe Febray, Harvey Burr and G. Oberholt. Rev. I. W. Canter assisted the Bishop in this ceremony.

The report of the board of education showed a gratifying condition of the Randolph-Macon College, now thoroughly identified with the church. A substantial increase in the attendance at the college was reported, there being now thirty-two ministerial students, eleven of whom are from the Baltimore Conference.

The board recommended the appointment of Rev. Dr. J. A. Kern as president of the Randolph-Macon College, Rev. Collins Denny as professor at Vanderbilt University, and Rev. Dr. J. P. Hyde as president of the Valley Female College; also, an assessment of \$2,300 for the benefit of the Randolph-Macon College and \$500 for the Payne and Lane Institute, at Augusta, Ga. All of the recommendations were adopted.

Washington Items.

At Mt. Vernon Place Methodist Episcopal Church, Washington, last Sunday the sermon was by Bishop J. C. Granberry. A feature of the service was the ordination of five young men, who have been studying to be deacons. President McKinley attended the services on special invitation of Rev. J. W. Duffey, pastor of the church.

At night Bishop A. W. Wilson preached at the Mt. Vernon church, and the Elders were ordained, among them Rev. W. D. Keene and H. M. Canter, son of Rev. I. W. Canter.

On Sunday morning Bishop A. W. Wilson delivered the sermon at the Metropolitan Methodist Church, the church regularly attended by President McKinley on Sunday morning.

An immense banquet of lilies of the valley sent from the White House, was conspicuous in the front just behind the altar rail.

Justice Stephen J. Field, who retired from the United States Supreme Court on December 1, 1897, died in Washington, aged eighty-three years. His term of service on the Supreme Bench was the longest in the history of the court.

Mr. A. M. Clapp, formerly public printer, is dead, aged eighty-eight years.

Beautiful gingham, figured piques, check muslin, dotted muslins and wash goods of all kinds now being opened at E. T. Baker's.

NEWS ITEMS.

Rabies has developed among dogs owned by residents of Mt. Pleasant.

Lieut. W. D. Newbill, of Irvington, has reached home from Porto Rico on 30 days' furlough.

T. S. Corlett, of Irvington, has leased Capt. Len. Hamilton's house and is "keeping back."

Andrew Carnegie by selling a vacant block on Fifth avenue, New York city, has made \$400,000 in four months.

The ground was broken at Washington and Lee University last Friday for the erection of the Tucker Memorial Hall.

F. M. Huffman, a wealthy farmer of Page county, a candidate for office in that county, proposes to donate, in the event of his election, \$500 yearly of his salary for the improvement of county highways.

From Irvington Citizen: "Mr. Warren, of U. S. corps of engineers, has been surveying mouth of Carter's creek, with a view to reporting whether or not it should be dredged. We think his report will be favorable."

Thirteen lives were lost in a fire which broke out Friday morning last in the residences of Wallace C. Andrews, 2 East Sixty-seventh street, and Albert J. Adams, 8 East Sixty-ninth street, New York city.

Ex-Mayor E. E. Downham, of Alexandria, was badly bruised and cut about the face and arms by a Pennsylvania avenue car in Washington city on Friday last. His injuries are severe, but not fatal.

LANCASTER, Va., April 8.—Edward Hill, colored, who was struck with a blackjack by David Kelly in a row at Kilmarnock Saturday week, died from his injuries yesterday. Inquest was held today and it captured Kelly will be charged with murder.

Col. Buffington, the new chief of ordinance to Gen. Flagg, entered West Point July 5, 1896. He was born in and appointed from Virginia, and served with the Union army against the South during the civil war. He was graduated from the Military Academy in 1861.

It is settled that Richmond is to have a big union depot to be erected by the Richmond, Petersburg and Carolina and Chesapeake and Ohio roads. The depot will be on the site of the old St. Charles Hotel property at 15th and Main. The two companies will spend about \$2,500,000.

The Auditor of Public Accounts has allowed about five hundred pensions since April 1st. They range in sums from \$15 to \$100. There are only about half a dozen persons who are entitled to \$100 and they are former Confederate soldiers who have lost the sight of both eyes.

Gov. Tyler has commissioned Capt. Philip Thornton Mayne, of Newport News, and Dr. Joel Crawford, of Sussex, members of the Board of Visitors of the Medical College of Virginia for life. They will succeed Dr. W. P. McGuire, of Winchester, resigned, and Col. R. B. Berkeley, of Palaski, removed from the State.

King and Queen County Court last week entered an order for a vote to be taken on the question of a county subscription to the capital stock of the Richmond and Tidewater railroad. The election will be held at the regular May election. There seems to be very little interest manifested in the subject, so far.

Mr. Robert Daniel, a prominent citizen of Middlesex, died at his residence, near Church View, in that county, last week, in the 66th year of his age. Mr. Daniel was a Confederate soldier and served faithfully in the Essex Cavalry during the entire civil war. He leaves a widow and three children. His wife is an aunt of Attorney-General Montague.

Ex-Congressman Trigg, of Wythe county, says the anti-Martin movement is pretty well understood and that one of its leaders boldly says "anything to beat Martin." The people of his State, he says, so far as he knows, are opposed to it and say that if U. S. Senators must be chosen by popular vote, so must judges, school superintendents, and every other public officer in the State, and that the people of the State don't want any such change.

Dr. Oady's Condition Powders, are just what a horse needs when in bad condition. Tonic, blood purifier and vermifuge. They are not food but medicine and the best in use to put a horse in prime condition. Price 25 cents per package. For sale by M. M. Lewis.

Glass Combine Falls Through.

Wheeling, W. Va., April 8.—The big combine of glass tableware factories, which was exploited a few weeks ago, has come to naught because of the action of the U. S. Glass Company and the Crystal and West Virginia Companies of this city. The Crystal and West Virginia are big money-makers, and did not care to enter the combine, though they gave options at high figures to avoid the possibility of a squeeze if the combine went through. The U. S. Glass Company, which some years ago absorbed about twenty factories, insisted on being paid full price for the closed and abandoned factories.

Stafford Circuit Court.

The spring term of the Circuit Court of Stafford county, was held at the courthouse Thursday last, Judge J. E. Mason presiding. There were no proceedings of public interest. A number of chancery decrees were entered and the cases of importance were continued until the next term.

Some Women Doubt.

Many women think the bearing of children is a necessary period of great pain and distress. They doubt whether any medicine can relieve their sufferings. Well may they hesitate about taking those injurious, fatal mixtures so widely sold. But they may place implicit faith in Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People.

MOTHER'S FRIEND.

which is a softening, relaxing and soothing liniment for external use. Doubling women should get a bottle at the drug store for \$1, and test it. There is no possibility of its doing harm, and there is every likelihood of its saving them many hours of pain. It is sold by "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup."

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Maccaroni 8c.

Plain and Mixed Candy 7c. lb.

Large box 1 1/2 lb. 5c.

Lump Starch 1c. lb.

Alabaster Starch, with Blueing and Wax 1c. package.

Corn Search 4c.

Large boxes Matches 3c. dozen (2 dozen for 25c.)

Wooden Wash Boards 5c.

Clothes Pins 1c. dozen.

Cobbler's Shoe Nails 3c. box.

Link 3c. bottle.

Envelopes 3c. package.

Paper 3c. and 4c. quire.

Armour's Key Soap 2 for 5c.

Our Favorite Soap, 12 bars for 25c.

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Apricots 16c. "

White Cherries 20c. "

Canned Tomatoes 10c. 3 for 25c.

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